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#### GLOWBUGS Digest 290

Topics covered in this issue include:

- 1) Crystal Set sadness  
by Andy Wallace <wallace@mc.com>

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Date: Fri, 13 Sep 96 18:03:52 EDT  
From: Andy Wallace <wallace@mc.com>  
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I was in Radio Snack the other day to buy some  
overpriced video cable...

A mother and son (who was perhaps seven) were looking  
over some of the project kits on the shelf. The kid  
asks, "what's a crystal radio?" The mother asked  
for further info... "It says, 'Crystal AM Radio Kit.'"

She plead ignorance. He then asks "what's AM?"

You wouldn't know it from my boatanchor posts, but I  
am rather shy and did not pipe up like I should have.  
Perhaps the fate of this kid is forever sealed. Imagine.  
Not knowing what the AM band was. (His mother said

his favorite station [a dance music station] was on FM. He put the box down.)

I know, I should have extolled the joys of putting together a radio that needs no electricity. Next time I'll be aggressive, I promise!

That being said, take pity on me! I am still looking for an article from '77-79 timeframe in Popular Science about building a crystal set with the coil wound on a Diamond Crystal salt box.

73,  
--Andy  
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